

What is claimed is:

1. A vehicle windshield molding attached around the circumference of a windshield and set in a frame defined by a body of a vehicle, the vehicle windshield molding comprising:

a first lip extending inwardly across the outside of the windshield;

a second lip extending outwardly in a direction opposite to the first lip and with the first lip covering a gap between the windshield and the frame; and

left and right side reverse swept deflectors extending outwardly from the second lip adjacent vehicle A-pillars into a slipstream generated by forward movement of the vehicle.

2. A vehicle windshield molding as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

each side reverse swept deflector being a relatively thin protrusion exhibiting a gap between a face oriented toward its adjacent A-pillar and the A-pillar.

3. A vehicle windshield molding as set forth in claim 2, further comprising:

a circumferential base abutting end edges of the windshield and disposed in a gap between the edge of the windshield and the frame; and

the first lip extending inwardly from the circumferential base and the second lip extending outwardly from the circumferential base.

4. A vehicle windshield molding as set forth in claim 3, further comprising:

a plurality of buttresses extending inwardly from the reverse swept deflector toward the vehicle A-pillars to support the position of the reverse swept deflector against the slipstream.

5. A vehicle windshield molding as set forth in claim 4, wherein the vehicle windshield molding serves as an encapsulation end piece fully covering the gap between the frame and the windshield.

6. A vehicle windshield molding as set forth in claim 5, wherein the reverse swept deflector generates turbulence in the slipstream adjacent the vehicle side windows.

7. A vehicle comprising:

left and right side windows;

left and right side A-pillars forward from the left and right side windows; and

left and right side reverse swept deflectors extending from the left and right side A-pillars into any slipstream generated by forward movement of the vehicle.

8. A vehicle as set forth in claim 7, further comprising:

a windshield frame defined in part by the left and right side A-pillars;

a windshield set in the frame;

a windshield molding attached around the circumference of a windshield, the windshield molding including an inwardly directed lip extending over an outer surface of the windshield and an outwardly directed lip extending back over an interior perimeter of the frame; and

the left and right side reverse swept deflectors being formed integrally with the windshield molding.

9. A vehicle as set forth in claim 8, the windshield molding further comprising:

a circumferential base protrusion abutting end edges of the windshield and disposed in a gap between the edge of the windshield and the frame;

the first lip extending inwardly from the base protrusion; and

the second lip extending outwardly from the base in a direction opposite to the first lip.

10. A vehicle as set forth in claim 9, further comprising:

each reverse swept deflector defining a steadily widening gap between an inner face and its respective A-pillar from front to rear; and

a plurality of buttresses extending inwardly from the reverse swept deflector toward the vehicle A-pillars to support the position of the reverse swept deflector against a slipstream.